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FROM

THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

TRANSMITTING

AN AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 1962  
INVOLVING AN INCREASE IN THE AMOUNT OF \$3,515,000 FOR  
THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE

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THE WHITE HOUSE,  
Washington, June 14, 1961.

The PRESIDENT OF THE SENATE.

SIR: I have the honor to transmit herewith for the consideration of the Congress an amendment to the budget for the fiscal year 1962 involving an increase in the amount of \$3,515,000 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare.

The details of this amendment, the necessity therefor, and the reasons for its submission at this time are set forth in the attached letter from the Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget, with whose comments and observations thereon I concur.

Respectfully yours,

JOHN F. KENNEDY.

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EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF THE PRESIDENT,  
BUREAU OF THE BUDGET,  
Washington, D.C., June 14, 1961.

The PRESIDENT,  
The White House.

SIR: I have the honor to submit herewith for your consideration an amendment to the budget for the fiscal year 1962 involving an increase in the amount of \$3,515,000 for the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare, as follows:

DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH, EDUCATION, AND WELFARE  
PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE

Budget page	Heading	Original estimate	Revised estimate	Increase
638	Buildings and facilities.....	\$16, 630, 000	\$20, 145, 000	\$3, 515, 000

The increasing significance of the health problems stemming from environmental causes, such as water pollution, air pollution, and radiation exposure, have resulted in intensified Federal program efforts to control these health hazards. Because of this intensified Federal effort, the existing Federal facilities for conducting research, technical assistance, training, and control activities have become inadequate and it has now become necessary to provide new facilities to accommodate both current needs and the probable increase in future activities.

This proposed amendment to the budget is to provide funds for site acquisition and detailed planning of such a new central environmental health facility. It has been determined that the Washington area is the most desirable location for the new central facility, primarily because of the need for close and frequent contact with the many other agencies of the Federal Government which also carry on programs of vital concern in this field, and \$2,070,000 is needed to acquire a site consisting of about 690 acres. The Department has worked closely with the responsible Washington area planning agencies and it has jointly been determined that a site northwest of Rockville, Md., is the most desirable and appropriate location for the new facility.

The balance of the request, in the amount of \$1,445,000, is required to undertake detailed master site planning and the preparation of architectural specifications and drawings.

I recommend that the foregoing amendment to the budget for the fiscal year 1962 be transmitted to the Congress.

Respectfully yours,

ELMER B. STAATS,  
*Acting Director of the Bureau of the Budget.*

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